Executive Proclamation

State of South Dakota
Office of the Governor

Whereas, The South Dakota Chapter of the Association of Government Accountants (AGA) is a professional organization and member of the AGA, which is a network of more than 15,000 members in 100 chapters in the United States and around the world dedicated to Advancing Government Accountability; and,

Whereas, The South Dakota Chapter of the AGA has approximately 89 active members that represent state, federal, and municipal accountants, auditors, and financial managers; and,

Whereas, The members of the South Dakota Chapter of the AGA have responded to the AGA's mission of Advancing Government Accountability as it continues its broad educational efforts, with emphasis on high standards of conduct, honor, and character in its Code of Ethics, and through such efforts, significant advances are being made in professional ability and service to the citizens of South Dakota by mastering increasingly technical and complex requirements; and,

Whereas, The Certified Government Financial Manager (CGFM) program of the AGA provides a means to demonstrate professionalism and competency by requiring CGFM candidates to have appropriate educational and employment history, to abide by the AGA's Code of Ethics, and to pass examinations requiring expertise in Governmental Environment, Financial Management and Control, and Accounting, Financial Reporting, and Budgeting, and requires each CGFM designee to maintain their professional competence by completing at least 80 hours of continuing professional education every two years; and,

Whereas, The number of those achieving the CGFM designation has risen to seven in the state of South Dakota, a recognition of the talent and dedication of those dedicated to the service of the citizens of the state:

Now, Therefore, I, Dennis Daugaard, Governor of the state of South Dakota, do hereby proclaim March 2016 as

CERTIFIED GOVERNMENT FINANCIAL MANAGER MONTH

in South Dakota.

In Witness Whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of the state of South Dakota, in Pierre, the Capital City, this Twenty-third Day of February in the Year of Our Lord, Two Thousand and Sixteen.

Dennis Daugaard, Governor

Attest:

Shantel Krebs, Secretary of State